LETTERS FROM MERCURY'S COUNTY CORRESPONDENTS

JACKSTOWN

Herman Gaumer and family, of Reddick Mill, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Robert Fechback. Miss Edna Whitaker, of Silkenberg, spent the week end with Misses Mary and Janie Sharp. Miss Christine Hardwick spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Earl Hardwick. Norwood Anicker spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Fred Anicker. Little Earl Wayne Hardwick, who has been very sick with bronchial pneumonia, is improving. Mr. and Mrs. Beacon Burks were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Smith. Charlie Letton, of near here, is very ill with pneumonia. Leslie Smith of the U. of Ky., Lexington, spent the week end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Taylor Smith.

McBRIDES RUN

Mr. and Mrs. Lester Snapp, Ben Snapp and family and Marion Snapp spent Sunday with Reg Snapp and family near Paris. Lloyd Snapp, of near Shakopeetown, spent Saturday with his brother, Elmer Snapp. Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Earlywine and Mr. and Mrs. Jim Mattox spent Sunday with S. F. Mattox and family. Victor Gaumer and wife of Reddicquarter, Ray Gaumer and wife and Omar Gaumer visited Mr. and Mrs. Lora Gaumer Sunday. Mrs. Henry Snapp and two sons and Mrs. J. W. Smith and son visited Mr. and Mrs. Robert Burks Saturday night and attended a birthday supper given in honor of their son, Bert, upon the occasion of his 21st birthday.

OAKLAND MILL

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Snapp and two children visited Mr. and Mrs. Sam Parrott last Monday. Otis Minkinson and two daughters visited Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Wagoner last week. Miss Elizabeth Snapp visited her grandparents last week and returned home Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Russell Butler and daughter visited Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Parrott Saturday night and Sunday. Bennie Griffin has returned home after visiting his sister, Mrs. Robert McCowan, for several days. Mrs. Gwenn Frederick and baby visited Mr. and Mrs. Walt McCowan last week. Mr. and Mrs. Lora Snapp visited Mr. and Mrs. Joe Watkins Sunday. Mrs. Dave Parrott and Mrs. Joe Raymond visited Mrs. Bertha Butler last Friday. Mrs. Lillie Tabb, of Paris, visited Mr. and Mrs. Joe Watkins last week. Mr. and Mrs. Ed Bowen and daughter, of Carlisle, visited Mrs. Jane Paris and family Sunday.

MORNING GLORY

Mr. and Mrs. L. Collins were the Thursday guests of P. D. Kennedy and family. Rev. J. C. Johnson filled his appointment here Sunday morning and evening. Mrs. Lucian Riddell, who was badly burned last November when her home was destroyed by fire, is improving slowly. Those on the sick list are Mrs. James Overby, Jr., P. P. Tout, Mrs. Virginia Cook, of Hillsboro, spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Cook. Mrs. Hollie Jones and daughter, Dora Ethel, spent one day last week with Mrs. Margaret Jones near Sulphur. Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Riley are visiting his mother, Mrs. Cora Riley, near Mount Gilead. Many around here are burning tobacco beds. Miss Thurlie Cook spent Saturday with Mrs. Alice Phillips.

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SCRUB GRASS

Leonard Sandy and daughter, Angie, Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Rose motored to Salt Lick Sunday to visit Jonathan Cassity. John Snadwin visited his cousin, Chess Tapp, several days this week. Mrs. Bascom Walton and children, and Mrs. Joe Walton spent Sunday with Mrs. Walter Crawford. Mr. and Mrs. Flory Bowles spent Sunday at Mrs. Bowles. Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Rose spent Saturday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Cassity. Sophia Margaret Minton spent Saturday with her grandmother, Mrs. Margaret Minton, who is sick. Mrs. Harrison McCarty spent Sunday with Mrs. Will McFarland. Mr. and Mrs. Chess Tapp spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Dud Morris. Mrs. Leonard Cassity and two daughters spent Sunday with Mrs. James P. Minton. Mrs. Ben Bowles Mrs. Will Stone and Robert Cassity are on the sick list.

BARTERVILLE

Mr. and Mrs. Otho Broderick spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Broderick. Mr. and Mrs. Guy Caswell and family, Mr. and Mrs. Estie Caswell and family, Mr. and Mrs. Frances Hawkins and Estill Morris spent Sunday with Mrs. Wm. Caswell. Miss Ruby Greene visited Miss Elsie Greene Sunday. Mrs. C. B. Brown, of Hankins, spent a few days the past week with friends here. C. V. Snapp, of Van Lear, spent a few days the past week with his mother, Mrs. Johnson Snapp. Robert Broderick visited Miss Elsie Greene Sunday. Those on the sick list are Mrs. Jane Shaw and Mrs. Jane Greene. Mrs. Ida McDowell spent the past week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Berry Greene.

HEADQUARTERS

There will be prayer meeting at the church next Sunday night. Orville Fuller is ill with an attack of appendicitis. Walters Ward visited relatives at East Union Saturday and Sunday. Our school closed last Monday. There was an unanimous vote for Nine Women to teach the next school. Mr. Booth, of the Mountfield neighborhood, while driving around a curve here Sunday night, ran his auto into a wire fence, and being unable to extricate the machine he had to walk to Carlisle.

SALTWELL

James Keeney has moved to the property of J. C. Earlywine. J. D. Gaumer spent the past week with Ivan Shaw and family at Cynthiana. G. C. Gaumer and children, Mrs. Vera Gaumer, Mrs. Emery Asbury and Lelia E. Mattox spent Sunday with M. A. Gaumer and wife. E. B. Kendall and wife and Mrs. Lodie M. Snapp spent Sunday with P. D. Kendall and wife. Mrs. Y. P. Allison and children, of near Stoney Creek, spent Saturday with J. Earlywine and family. Mrs. Emery Asbury is visiting her mother, Mrs. Vera Gaumer. Mrs. Samuel Jones is very ill. All her sons visited her Sunday. U. C. Mattox and family visited E. M. Mattox and wife at Buckeyeville. Miss Lorene Booth accompanied Mrs. Nellie Brayfield here the past week. Our regular quarterly meeting will convene at Mt. Pleasant Saturday and Sunday, March 27-28. Rev. M. S. Clark, P. E., will preside. Mrs. G. Gaumer and Mrs. Emery Asbury spent Thursday with Mrs. Lelia M. Snapp and family.

LICKING

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Bogross, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Moore and Gloria Bogross, of Norwood, Ohio, visited Mr. and Mrs. Albous Bogross and family.... Mr. and Mrs. George Bowling and family were Sunday guests of Omar Jones and family near Lowville. Mrs. Annie Moran was the week end guest of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hunt and family. Mrs. Bessie Hamphries was the Sunday guest of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hunt near Wayside. N. B. Boggess and family were Sunday guests of Alonzo Boggess and family. Mr. Jack Hunt is on the sick list.

ABNER'S MILL

Miss Lou Ellen Crawford visited her aunt, Mrs. Mary Bryant, the past week. Mr. and Mrs. George Standiford and children, of Buena Vista, spent Friday with the family of Wm. Standiford. Mrs. F. M. Bell has returned home after several months visit with relatives at Winchester and Covington. Mr. and Mrs. Bohl Hildreth and three children and Miss Lillian Fitzpatrick spent Sunday with Mrs. T. W. Hunter and family. Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Lent and son and Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Henson, of Millersburg, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. John Lent. Born—To Mr. and Mrs. Claude Adams, Sunday, a daughter, Myrtle. Mr. and Mrs. Walter McCord and son, Mr. and Mrs. William Hunt, of Little Rock, visited relatives here Sunday. Mrs. Gladys Hughes entertained a few friends Wednesday night. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Maffett, Misses Elsie and Edna Frazee, Martha Lancaster, Allene Cord and Addie Mae Hughes, Ira Ward, Morris Floyd and Rev. John Wilson and Jimmie Logan. Carl Schoolfield and family visited Mr. and Mrs. Ed Mitt Fryman and Roger Sanders, Sr., near Millersburg, Sunday. Mrs. Ed Mitt Fryman and family, of Maysville, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Roger Sanders. Mrs. Ella Hughes entertained at Bridesh Monday with Misses Lillian Fitzpatrick and Lillian Hughes. Mrs. Hughes and Mrs. Hughes spent the week end with her sister, Mrs. Ed Mitt Fryman, near Millersburg, and her mother, Mrs. Mary Hughes, near Paris. Mrs. Hughes and Mrs. Hughes spent Sunday with Mrs. Ella Hughes. Mrs. Hughes and Mrs. Hughes spent Sunday with Mrs. Ella Hughes.

LITTLE ROCK

The Little Rock base ball team defeated Clintonville 11 to 2 in a game played at Clintonville Friday afternoon. Sam Hughes, Ed Hughes, Emmo and Albert Evans and wives, of Paris, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Anna McKenzie Sunday. Mrs. Edwin Clark and Mrs. Chas. Eurich were in Lexington Wednesday. Mrs. Ed Mrs. Finley Harris and Mrs. Ed Mrs. Tom Clark were guests of John Harris and wife Sunday. Mary Wilson and family spent Sunday with Ben Hinkle and family. Mrs. Ed Mrs. Lewis Willis, Russell Willis and wife and Mrs. Clayton Grimes, of Paris, were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Luther Beverly. Mrs. Sam Wilson is at home, having closed a seven months school at Bruce, near Paris, Sunday.

ELL CREEK

Mr. and Mrs. Bohl Hildreth and children spent Sunday with his mother, Mrs. T. W. Hunter. Mrs. Hunter and children were guests from Saturday until Sunday of her daughter, Mrs. John Dye. Mrs. Hollie Crupper and son, M. T., Jr., spent Sunday with Mrs. Lucinda Wilson. Mrs. Ed Mrs. Chas. Clark and children, of Paris, spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Mrs. Bailey Grimes. Mrs. Ed Mrs. Finley Harris and Mrs. Ed Mrs. Tom Clark were guests Tuesday of Mrs. Chas. Clark, near Paris.

CLASSIFIED

FOR SALE

FOR SALE—Small pony, new horse, cows, fresh. H. Floyd.

FOR SALE—Two good horses, 1 mare, 6 years old, 1 horse, 7 years old. Phone 264-Jones.

FOR SALE—Rubber Rock eggs, pureed $1.00 for 15; free catalog. Mrs. Charles Clarke, Box 1375, Mrs. Clay Robinson, Carlisle, Ky. Phone 263, Moorefield exchange.

FOR SALE—Jersey cow, fresh, 2 years old, 1 Jersey heifer, 1 horse, horse, Harper's Garage.

FOR SALE—White Rock eggs for hatching. Our pen of prize winners. Mrs. Carl Ely, Carlisle, Ky. Telephone Moorefield exchange.

FOR SALE—A Parker carpet sweeper, practically new. See Mrs. Louie Bickel, Arnold Hughes, Ky.

FOR SALE—Fine hunting coat, size 42, lined with fur. Also Corona typewriter. Alice Corbin, Carlisle, Ky.

FOR SALE—Dodge coach, good tires, needs new battery, runs good. Price $125. Fisher Hughes, Phone 29.

FOR SALE—One Delaval steam cooker, almost new, cost $60, will accept $35. Henry Myers.

FOR SALE—Compound oil, 5 years old, good condition. Apply Mary Mathews.

FOR SALE—I have a few Single Comb Brown Leghorn pullets, winter layers, for sale, call or see Mrs. Ernest Hughes, Carlisle, Ky.

FOR SALE—Good upright Kimball piano, slightly used. Apply to F. L. Peterson, Carlisle, Ky. Phone 3-J.

FOR SALE—Five Leghorn cockerels, pure bred, $1.00 each. Mrs. Ed Hughes, Carlisle, route 5.

FOR SALE—One Jordan Bell coaring car, in good condition. Cost $300, will take $150. Forest Gaugh, 2-25-tf. Morgan.

FOR SALE—Good hand power corn machine. Mrs. E. C. Brown, 2-25-tf.

FOR RENT

FOR RENT—Garage for rent. Apply Ivan Shaw, Carlisle, Ky.

FOR RENT—Nice 6 room flat, bath, cold and hot water, garage, barn. See C. U. Brannigan.

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LOST AND FOUND

LOST—Between Burley warehouse and my home, Thursday, March 14, a pocket book containing money and some of Mrs. Angie Wood's medicine. Finder return to Mrs. Henry.

LOST—New rug twice on Carlisle and Cynthiana pike. Return to Tom or Vickers, Carlisle, Ky.

LOST—Between Carlisle and Mill or Station Sunday afternoon, a green box, containing a green sweater, red sweater, pair black silk gloves, and other articles. Finder please return to Mrs. Henry office.

WANTED

WANTED—Middle aged woman to take care of an old lady. Call phone 3-J.

WANTED—Good work horses to take care of an old lady. Call phone 3-J.

SALESMAN earn $12.00 a day and more selling Sheep Producers and Farmers Supplies. Best seller. Money making proposition. Warner Brothers, 560 W. Van Buren St., Chicago Ill. 3-25 4t

GARDEN PLOWING—Call Willis Hughes, phone 344. 3-25 2t*

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MISCELLANEOUS

HOUSEHOLD GOODS

On Saturday, March 27, at 2:00 p. m., at residence on Sycamore street, I will sell household furniture, including mahogany range, good as new, Moore's air tight heater, garden tools. Will sell all choice flower bulbs, including some very fine roses. Reason for selling, am moving out of town. J. W. Tilton.

New Easter hats on display. Ladies, misses and children. Very latest styles. Sanford Millinery. 11*

Agricultural Lime for your gardens and lawns. Any quantity. Carlisle Coal & Feed Co. Phone 20. 3-25 tf

MILLINERY—Many smart styles and attractive colors at prices never shown each Wednesday, Saturday and county court day. Mrs. Zelia South.

"SAY IT WITH FLOWERS"
Nothing can express your appreciation of your mother, wife or sweetheart as strictly with flowers. Phone your order and save money by taking them out. Phone Coal & Feed Co.

EGGS FOR HATCHING—B. P. Rocks, Single Comb Brown Leghorns. Jas. M. Hamilton, Carlisle, Ky. 4. Phone 264-Jones. 3-21 2t*

EGGS FOR SETTING—Silver Laced Wyandottes. Every Egg Guaranteed. G. L. Carter. 3-4 4t*

QUICK GROWTH—Will result from a liberal application of Armour's Plant Bed Special on your tobacco beds. Sold by Carlisle Coal and Feed Co. 3-25 tf

Now is a good time to buy a seed drill. We have the Superior Fancy Opal and Pine Grove. Note the price. Bostick & Carlisle.

You can get garden seed, sweet peas and nasturtium seeds in bulk at J. A. Power's.

HAULING—Of all kinds. Phone 72 or 151. Coley Marshall. 3-14-tf

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FARM LOANS—Five per cent loan, unlimited amounts, five years time and 30 days. Interest dates offered in Kentucky. H. B. Smith. 3-14-tf

FOR FOR ONE—And you get 2 for one. 10 per cent is worth while. Bostick's. 3-14-2t

Onion sets, flower seed, in bulk and packages, at Bostick & Carlisle.

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EAR CORN

We will receive our 2nd car of corn about the 20th. This is strictly yellow and strictly No. 1. Phone your order and save money by taking from car. Phone Carlisle Coal & Feed Co.

SAVE WITH SAFETY—One

Half of your cash purchase is handed back to you at the time you buy. Payment

Millions frostproof cabbage Plants. Leading Varieties. Also Bermuda 1,000 $1.25, 5000—$5.00. Good Plants. Prompt shipment absolutely guaranteed. Schroer Plant Farms, Vallonia, Ga. 3-4 4t*

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NOTICES

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FOOD SALE—The ladies of the East Union church will hold a food sale at Sexton's store on Saturday, March 27th. This sale was originally advertised for the 3rd of April.

FOOD SALE—The Baptist Ladies will hold their annual food sale at store of Bostick & Curtis on Saturday, April 3.

The Ladies Aid of the Christian church will have its quarterly food sale at Sexton's store on Saturday April 27. Besides the usual sale of edibles, they will have an attractive line of dust caps and sunbonnets. 3-18 2t

"I'm F. T. A. of the Miranda schools will hold a food sale at Metcalfe's grocery Saturday, March 27.

POSTED—My farm near Croftonville, Ky., is posted against hunting, with either guns or dogs, and all persons are warned to stay off the place. Fishermen or anyone else caught on the place will be arrested and prosecuted to the extent of the law. Earl Jones, Crayton, Ky. 3-4*

CARD OF THANKS—We wish to thank the people of Flora for their kindness and help during the illness and upon the occasion of the death of our boy, Eddie Abner. We wish to thank the brethren-in-law who earned him so faithfully, and also the telephone people. Father and Mother.

CARD OF THANKS—We wish to thank our friends and neighbors for the many deeds of kindness shown us during the illness and upon the occasion of the death of our wife and mother. F. B. Vice and family. 11*

NOTICE—I have just received a car of Globe Fertilizer. L. Plant Bed Special 3-10-3-1, 2, special tobacco and potato grower 3-8-6; tobacco fertilizer 2-8-5. A. F. Karrs, coal dealer, Water street.

REPUBLICAN CONVENTION

The Republicans of Nicholas county are hereby called to meet in mass convention at the court house in Carlisle, on Saturday, March 27, at 1 o'clock p. m., for the purpose of selecting 7 delegates to represent Nicholas county at the State convention at Louisville on March 30, 1928. A full attendance is urgently requested.

R. B. Bryson, Chairman

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For 30 Days
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2.00 Overalls go at	1.40	75c Collar Pads at	49c
1.50 Overalls go at	1.19	50c Hoss Poultry Scissors at	16c
1.25 Overalls go at	1.00	50c Buggy Whip 1x (50 per cent)	29c
1.00 Overalls go at	79c	25c Graphic Paper	7c
1.50 Leather Gloves	1.19	1.10 Tanlac per bottle	79c
1.25 Leather Gloves	1.00	1.00 Wine of Cardui	79c
1.00 Leather Gloves	79c	1.00 Blood Prescription	79c
4.00 Alarm Clocks	2.98	50c Lydia Pinkham's Medicine	49c
2.50 Alarm Clocks	1.87	50c Sal Hepatica	49c
2.25 Alarm Clocks	1.69	1.00 Plus Points	75c
1.75 Alarm Clocks	1.29	1.00 Pure Rubber	79c
Standard Spray Pump, 7.50 value to go at	5.00	50 Foot Cotton-lined Roofing	2.35
10.00 Cord tires at	7.50	50 Foot Rubber Roofing	3.95
20 Baker Congress, 4 blade knife at	1.44	All Stationery	10c per quire
15 Remington, 2 blade knife at	1.14	White star Flour, 24 lb. bag	1.19
11.00 Gem Razors at	7.50	Big Redbook Shoes, Hoss, Rubber Tanks, Grain and Dirt shovels, Sejdles, Tin, Enamel Ware and Hardware, and other things we can not enumerate here. All must and are going to be sold at once. Stock still for sale on a whole or part property, to Rent or Sell. Mail and telephone orders filled. Parcel post at no extra charge.

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CHAPTER IX

Peter Plays at Bowls with Destiny

Dusty McGlory's red head shone in the lanthorn light.

"Wishin', isn't it, Master Bob again? Now ain't this the night fortune's to have ye with me? He? Ye left the old devil you for good?"

He nodded his crop of hair at the vague hull of the James. Then, with rapacious laughter:

"The old devil you," he repeated. "Ye can bet it takes Nancy to put the right word to a man. The what ye blast him for the rum he sets himself up to be?"

Dusty grinned like a huge silver hawker of fish.

"I'm finished with the rum for ye, captain, and the Irish for ye, and the jawing tongue. 'Truth, say I and the truth shall make ye free,' with Murray bell's a bad taste in the mouth o' him to be washed out, and I'd feel he's a sup o' sugar-juice badly for the needin's."

Flint seized the rum, threw back his head and drained the deep draft as if it had been wine.

"Yes and right, by God," he confessed warily. "And I'm thinkin' I'd maybe feel all the fine that ye head o' yours can bring me. Wisecry Billy Bones."

"Sure, sure, captain dear, 'twas yourself sent him ashore to keep the lads up the feet from carvin' himself with the Spanish. Yet, 'Truth, say I and the truth shall make ye free,' I'm a poor man, captain, and I'm a hard on Master Bob."

"Hard on him, Dusty, and why?"

"Why, captain, ye know well I'm hard on Master Bob! Ye know I'm hard on Peter Flint! Ye know I'm hard on Dusty McGlory! Ye know I'm hard on the world! Ye know I'm hard on Jim and Dickson."

"Ye be as hard as they make me be," returned Flint. "But for tonight ye will leave them walk."

Peter, at my elbow, spoke for the first time.

"Ja, Ja." We go. I have a wish to sleep."

"Sleep, is it? Jesus! Flint, 'Tis the dream! Sleep! Come along a' me, lads."

He led us aft, the others following. Dusty in the rear aimed to check at the end of a dark passage Flint unlocked a lanthorn from a wall and one of his men moved up a trapdoor. Below was a pool of shadows that scurried and swayed as if to escape the feeble light. There was no odor, also, none too pleasant.

I drew back.

"Carlos, you could lodge us securely otherwise than this!" I protested.

"No, no," answered Flint. "There's not a place in Nassau hard's a lock would hold! Don't be afraid, James you. Tis a place for ye, lad, if it's an fault o' yours ye have to hide. Ye can be right at least you must lie in the barrel. Here ye shall be the last to there to keep the rats off, and in the morning we'll change clothes."

Peter pushed past me, and took the lanthorn from my hand.

"We go, Ja," he squeaked. "Come, Bob."

I followed his sickness amazed by my weird, already wondering at his pugnacious courage. I saw Dusty lift Peter up, while footsteps thudded away from the trapdoor, and disappear of the ladder and peered hopelessly around me at Peter, swinging the lanthorn as high as the low deckroom allowed, prowled around the limited area of our prison.

A black rat as large as a cat rushed across my feet. Squeals and rear things scuttled in the corners.

Peter returned to the ladder and deposited the lanthorn on the floor and plumped himself beside me.

"Ja," he whispered. "Ja, he said blandly. Do we obey or get out?"

"I prefer to obey."

"I'm so lazy," I snapped. "I hate resolve for—"

"Ja," he agreed. "The little gal."

"How did you know?" I exclaimed.

"I know," he replied with his sweeping imitation of a laugh. "You think our little gal is a good gal. I think it is not good! But she be taken aboard our James. Too soon! Ja, then will be sure dot she is."

"Do you mean Nancy, Peter?" I groaned. "I hoped to be free of that ridiculous plan of mine! I'm sick of it through. Sick of the whole business. I'm a miserable determination."

"Ja," he nodded. "Ja, I know. Ja, dot be your treasure ship, Bob. Dat's away."

"Away? I was not here?"

"Ja, it is easy to take her. But after comes his troubles. Much trouble we in bad for pleasure. We take troubles after. Suppose we get out tonight. Suppose we get safe back to dat James? Ja, dot's good. I leaves you alone and sleeps. Dat the heavy pounding and scuttle, Dusty and Flint and Jim and Dickson. Dat's all we'll can't be done. I would have to leave my wife's best of this—and the James will be willing to live on dat treasure."

"Hush," said Peter. "We get out—any time, we get out."

"How?" I demanded.

He picked up the lanthorn and led me forward to the hatch. The light showed that one of the taken planks was slightly loosened, leaving an inland crack between the planks and the hull. He put his finger on it.

"Here you planning to pry that off with your finger-nails?" I turned him.

"Dat's, Ja," he answered, and conducted me to a corner where the rats were dead as we approached.

Here was a heap of broken boxes, rubbish and burned up several long, sagging iron spikes, such as are used to bolt together the heavier ship timbers.

"I don't care 10—" the second man was whipped out. Jonny's scream died in a guttural cough. He held pled the throat of each. He held them poised for a moment, then brought their heads together with an odd hollow smack like the cracking of egg-shells. They collapsed inert on the deck.

I darted for the rail, but Peter stayed me.

"Mein, Bob," he objected. First we make some pants. Bob. Andt we lose dem fellers overboard."

He was directing the larger of the two in the single garment each one were while he talked, and conquering his instinctive sensation of repugnance, I did likewise.

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"I don't care 10—" the second man was whipped out. Jonny's scream died in a guttural cough. He held pled the throat of each. He held them poised for a moment, then brought their heads together with an odd hollow smack like the cracking of egg-shells. They collapsed inert on the deck.

I darted for the rail, but Peter stayed me.

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together, and swam side by side down the anchorage toward the James. Peter, despite his discomfort at sea, was a remarkably powerful swimmer, thanks to his lifetime in the wilder some country of the frontier.

"The idea will take care of the dead men," I panted, stroking for all I was worth to keep space with the Dutchman.

A whistle shrilled again aboard the James.

"Ja," said Peter. "Dat anchor goes up. Bob. We hurry."

He was a dozen strokes ahead of me at the end. I found him hanging on to the bent of the rudder and rainy trailing water. Forward the captain was clanking to a steady pounding and trampling of feet. Tarks were hanging, sails were darting, men were shouting and cursing.

I looked up at the stern windows and saw Dusty. From our precarious perch on the rudder the James towered like Sugarloaf mountain, inaccessible but unattainable. Almost I could have cried out to my greatness and hailed him to have us hauled aboard. But common sense warned me he would certainly seize upon the opportunity to send us back to the Walrus as clinching evidence of his good faith. And I had no desire to face Flint with those two dead men to account for.

"What's to do?" I whispered to Peter, whose eyes were rolling good humorously upon me. "We can hide here. Once she has way on her, we be homed free."

"Ja," agreed Peter. "You see dat ship picture any there?"

He indicated a golden sunburst, carved across the stern beneath the cabin windows.

"Yes," I answered, puzzled.

"I climb onp on der rudder, andt I hold me on to der gunshmoe in der middle. Andt you climb onp on my shoulders andt into der cabin windows. Ja."

"Up you? How will you—"

"Dat's my work, Bob."

The rudder I surmounted with ease, sitting erect with a hand on one of Peter's legs to steady me. I stepped up to the ringe upon which the Dutchman stood with no more difficulty holding to his leather belt. Then I clamped my hand hold to a rifle in the carving, and by his direction braced the toes of one foot in the stock of his belt as I leered upward. Peter grunted. That was all.

I found a new hand-hold and bought my other foot up on to Peter's shoulder and stood erect there. Reaching upward now, better than two full men's height above the waterline, my groping fingers were still below the level of the stern windows. Peter sensed my difficulty.

"On my heedt," he grunted.

I cautiously lifted one foot, selected another hand-grip and **wanted** Peter's cur locks. Again I groped upward with one arm extended to the limit of safety, if I failed to inches to clutch the sill of the stern window.

"Jump," added Peter.

"But you?"

"Jump."

The rudder clacked as it was put over, and the James heeled slightly to the breeze.

I jumped. Peter **sagged** beneath me, but the fingers of my right hand fastened upon the ledge of the window. I heard a **squash**, and could hold not my feet. Peter's voice: "Oheep." spluttered Peter from the depths.

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